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The Protocols

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We have removed all the window advertisements from this figure, except for segment 72, which we discuss below. *slip* always advertised a window of 4096, and *vangogh* advertised a window of 8192. The segments are numbered in this figure as a continuation of Figure 21.2, where the first data segment across the connection was numbered 1. As in Figure 21.2, the segments are numbered according to their send or receive order on the host *slip*, where *tcpdump* was being run. We have also removed a few segments that have no relevance to the discussion (44, 47, and 49, all ACKs from *vangogh*).

It appears that segment 45 got lost or arrived damaged—we can't tell from this output. What we see on the host *slip* is the acknowledgment for everything up through but not including byte 6657 (segment 58), followed by eight more ACKs of this same sequence number. It is the reception of segment 62, the third of the duplicate ACKs, that forces the retransmission of the data starting at sequence number 6657 (segment 63). Indeed, Berkeley-derived implementations count the number of duplicate ACKs received, and when the third one is received, assume that a segment has been lost and retransmit only one segment, starting with that sequence number. This is Jacobson's *fast retransmit* algorithm, which is followed by his *fast recovery* algorithm. We discuss both algorithms in Section 21.7.

Notice that after the retransmission (segment 63), the sender continues normal data transmission (segments 67, 69, and 71). TCP does not wait for the other end to acknowledge the retransmission.

Let's examine what happens at the receiver. When normal data is received in sequence (segment 43), the receiving TCP passes the 256 bytes of data to the user process. But the next segment received (segment 46) is out of order: the starting sequence number of the data (6913) is not the next expected sequence number (6657). TCP saves the 256 bytes of data and responds with an ACK of the highest sequence number successfully received, plus one (6657). The next seven segments received by *vangogh* (48, 50, 52, 54, 55, 57, and 59) are also out of order. The data is saved by the receiving TCP, and duplicate ACKs are generated.

Currently there is no way for TCP to tell the other end that a segment is missing. Also, TCP cannot acknowledge out-of-order data. All *vangogh* can do at this point is continue sending the ACKs of 6657.

When the missing data arrives (segment 63), the receiving TCP now has data bytes 6657–8960 in its buffer, and passes these 2304 bytes to the user process. All 2304 bytes are acknowledged in segment 72. Also notice that this ACK advertises a window of 5888 (8192 – 2304), since the user process hasn't had a chance to read the 2304 bytes that are ready for it.

If we look in detail at the *tcpdump* output for the dips around times 14 and 21 in Figure 21.6, we see that they too were caused by the receipt of three duplicate ACKs, indicating that a packet had been lost. In each of these cases only a single packet was retransmitted.

We'll continue this example in Section 21.8, after describing more about the congestion avoidance algorithms.

2. A set of common structures and an identification scheme used to refer to variables in the MIB. This is called the *Structure of Management Information* and is specified in RFC 1155 [Rose and McCloghrie 1990]. For example, it specifies that a Counter is a nonnegative integer that counts from 0 to 4,294,967,295 and then wraps around to 0.
3. The protocol between the manager and the element, called the *Simple Network Management Protocol* (SNMP). RFC 1157 [Case et al. 1990] specifies the format of the packets exchanged. Although a wide variety of transport protocols could be used, UDP is normally used with SNMP.

These RFCs define what is now called SNMPv1, or just SNMP, which is the topic of this chapter. During 1993 additional RFCs were published specifying SNMP Version 2 (SNMPv2), which we describe in Section 25.12.

Our approach to SNMP in this chapter is to describe the protocol between the manager and the agent first, and then look at the data types for the variables maintained by the agent. We describe the database of information maintained by the agent (the MIB) by looking at the groups that we've described in this text: IP, UDP, TCP, and so on. We show examples at each point along the way, tying network management back to the protocol concepts from earlier chapters.

25.2 Protocol

SNMP defines only five types of messages that are exchanged between the manager and the agent.

1. Fetch the value of one or more variables: the *get-request* operator.
2. Fetch the next variable after one or more specified variables: the *get-next-request* operator. (We describe what we mean by "next" later in this chapter.)
3. Set the value of one or more variables: the *set-request* operator.
4. Return the value of one or more variables: the *get-response* operator. This is the message returned by the agent to the manager in response to *get-request*, *get-next-request*, and *set-request* operators.
5. Notify the manager when something happens on the agent: the *trap* operator.

The first three messages are sent from the manager to the agent, and the last two are sent from the agent to the manager. (We'll refer to the first three as the *get*, *get-next*, and *set* operators.) Figure 25.1 summarizes these five operators.

Since four of the five SNMP messages are simple request-reply protocols (the manager sends a request, the agent sends back a reply) SNMP uses UDP. This means that a request from the manager may not arrive at the agent, and the agent's reply may not make it back to the manager. The manager probably wants to implement a timeout and retransmission.

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IP header	UI header
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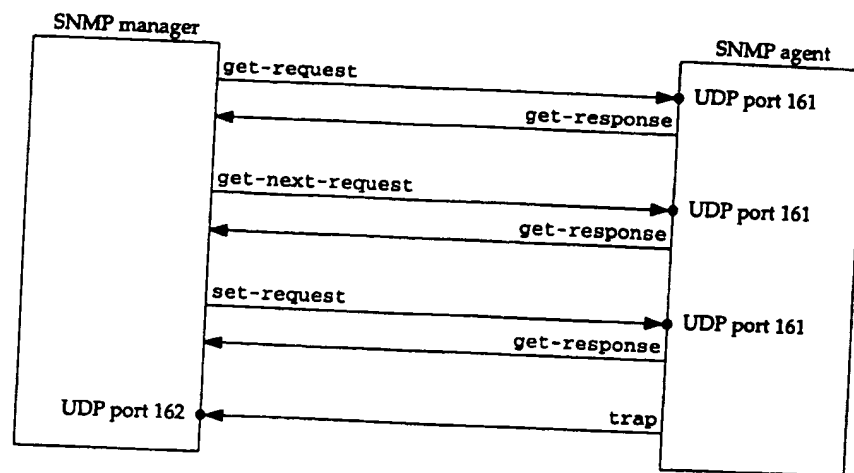


Figure 25.1 Summary of the five SNMP operators.

The manager sends its three requests to UDP port 161. The agent sends traps to UDP port 162. By using two different port numbers, a single system can easily run both a manager and an agent. (See Exercise 25.1.)

Figure 25.2 shows the format of the five SNMP messages, encapsulated in a UDP datagram.

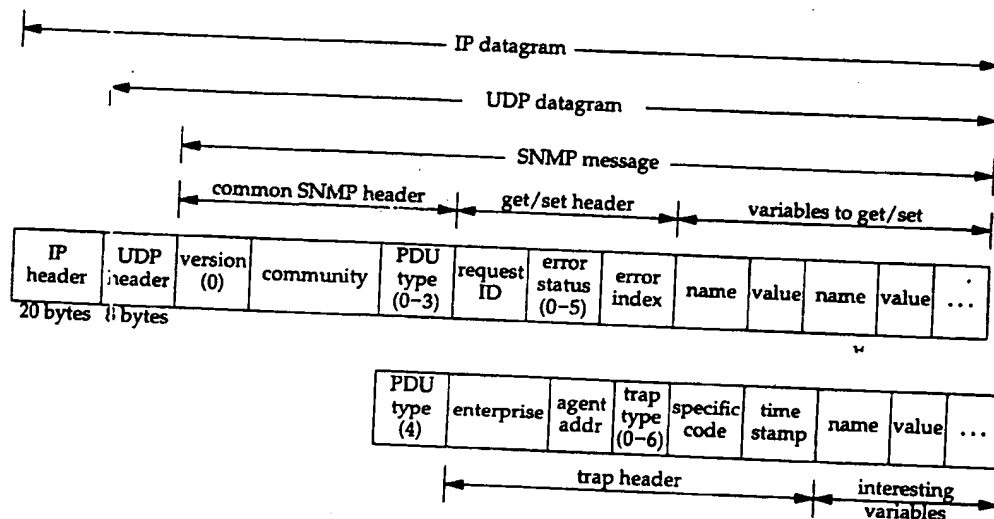


Figure 25.2 Format of the five SNMP messages.

In this figure we specify the size in bytes of the IP and UDP headers only. This is because the encoding used for the SNMP message—called ASN.1 and BER, which we

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$ snmp -s netb -c secret get ipRouteNextHop.140.252.3.0
ipRouteNextHop.140.252.3.0=140.252.1.6

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This routing table entry tells netb to send the packets to swrt, which is what we see happen.

Why does gemini send the packets directly back through netb? Because on gemini the destination address of the return packets is 140.252.1.29, and that network (140.252.1) is on a directly connected interface.

What we're seeing in this example is a policy routing decision. The default route to network 140.252.3 is through the router swrt because gemini is intended to be a multihomed host, not a router. This is an example of a multihomed host that does not want to be a router.

Traps

All the examples we've looked at so far in this chapter have been from the manager to the agent. As shown in Figure 25.1, it's also possible for the agent to send a *trap* to the manager, to indicate that something has happened on the agent that the manager might want to know about. Traps are sent to UDP port 162 on the manager.

In Figure 25.2 we showed the format of the trap PDU. We'll go through all the fields in this message when we look at some tcpdump output below.

Six specific traps are defined, with a seventh one allowing a vendor to implement an enterprise-specific trap. Figure 25.30 describes the values for the *trap type* in the trap message (Figure 25.2).

trap type	Name	Description
0	coldStart	Agent is initializing itself.
1	warmStart	Agent is reinitializing itself.
2	linkDown	An interface has changed from the up to the down state (Figure 25.18). The first variable in the message identifies the interface.
3	linkUp	An interface has changed from the down to the up state (Figure 25.18). The first variable in the message identifies the interface.
4	authenticationFailure	A message was received from an SNMP manager with an invalid community.
5	egpNeighborLoss	An EGP peer has changed to the down state. The first variable in the messages contains the IP address of the peer.
6	enterpriseSpecific	Look in the <i>specific code</i> field for information on the trap.

Figure 25.30 Trap types.

We can see some traps using tcpdump. We'll start the SNMP agent on the system and see it generate a coldStart trap. (We tell the agent to send traps to the host 140.252.1.29. Although we're not running a manager on bsdi to handle the traps, we can run

tcpdump and see what packets get generated. Recall from Figure 25.1 that a trap is sent from the agent to the manager, but there is no acknowledgment sent by the manager (we don't need a manager to handle the traps.) We then send a request using the `trap` program, but with an invalid community name. This should generate an `authenticationFailure` trap. Figure 25.31 shows the output.

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1 0.0          sun.snmp > bsdi.snmp-trap: C=traps Trap(28)
                  E:unix.1.2.5 [140.252.13.33] coldStart 20
2 18.86 (18.86) sun.snmp > bsdi.snmp-trap: C=traps Trap(29)
                  E:unix.1.2.5 [140.252.13.33] authenticationFailure

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Figure 25.31 tcpdump output of traps generated by SNMP agent.

First we notice that both UDP datagrams are from the SNMP agent (port 162, printed as the name `snmp`) with a destination port of 162 (printed as the name `snmp-trap`).

The notation `C=traps` is the community name of the trap message. This is a configuration option with the ISODE SNMP agent being used.

The next notation, `Trap (28)` in line 1 and `Trap (29)` in line 2 is the *PDU type* and its length.

The next field of output for both lines is `E:unix.1.2.5`. This is the *enterprise* object ID. It falls under the 1.3.6.1.4.1 node of the tree in Figure 25.2 (iso.org.dod.internet.private.enterprises), so this agent's object identifier is 1.3.6.1.4.1.4.1.2.5. Its abbreviated name is `unix.agents.fourBSD-isode.5`. The final number (5) is the version number of this release of the ISODE agent. This enterprise value identifies the agent software generating the trap.

The next field output by tcpdump is the IP address of the agent (140.252.13.33).

The *trap type* is printed as `coldStart` on line 1, and `authenticationFailure` on line 2. These correspond to *trap type* values of 0 and 4, respectively (Figure 25.2). Since these are not enterprise-specific traps, the *specific code* must be 0, and is not printed.

Next comes the *timestamp* field, printed as 20 and 1907. This is a *TimeTicks* value representing the number of hundredths of a second since the agent initialized. In the case of the cold start trap, the trap was generated 200 ms after the agent was initialized. The tcpdump output indicates that the second trap occurred 18.86 seconds after the first one, which corresponds to the printed value of 1907 hundredths of a second, minus 20 ms.

Figure 25.2 indicates that a trap message can contain interesting variables that the agent wants to send to the manager, but there aren't any in our examples.

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The formal specification of SNMP uses *Abstract Syntax Notation 1* (ASN.1) and the actual encoding of the bits in the SNMP messages (Figure 25.2) uses the corresponding *Basic Encoding Rules* (BER). Unlike most texts that describe SNMP, we have purposely left a

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APPENDIX J

Variable	Mean	SD	Min	Max
Age	38.5	10.2	25	55
Gender	0.5	0.5	0	1
Marital status	0.7	0.5	0	1
Education	12.5	1.5	9	16
Income	3500	1500	1000	8000
Health status	0.8	0.4	0	1
Exercise frequency	2.5	1.5	0	5
Stress level	4.5	1.5	1	7
Sleep quality	3.5	1.5	1	6
Diet quality	4.0	1.5	1	6
Work-life balance	3.0	1.5	1	5
Family support	4.5	1.5	1	6
Community involvement	2.0	1.5	0	4
Life satisfaction	5.5	1.5	1	7
Overall well-being	4.0	1.5	1	6



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Disposition of Claims

- ☒ Claim(s) 1-37 is/are pending in this application.
- Of the above, claim(s) _____ is/are withdrawn from consideration.
- ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are allowed.
- ☒ Claim(s) 1-11, 13, 14, 16-22, 24, 25, 26-36 is/are rejected.
- ☒ Claim(s) 12, 15, 23, 37 is/are objected to.
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Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119

- ☐ Acknowledgement is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d).
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Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 102

1. The following is a quotation of the appropriate paragraphs of 35 U.S.C. 102 that form the basis for the rejections under this section made in this Office action:

A person shall be entitled to a patent unless --

(b) the invention was patented or described in a printed publication in this or a foreign country or in public use or on sale in this country, more than one year prior to the date of application for patent in the United States.

2. Claims 1-11, 16-22, 26-33 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as being clearly anticipated by U.S. Patent No. 5,604,542 to Dedrick.

As per claims 1, 16, 26 and 27, Dedrick discloses converting a plurality of streams of audio and/or visual information into a plurality of streams of digital packets (col. 2, lines 38-40), routing the stream to one or more users (col. 3, lines 16-18), controlling the routing of the packets in response to selection signals from the users (col. 3, lines 58-60) and monitoring the reception of packets by the users and accumulating records (col. 4, lines 45-48).

As per claims 2, 8, 17, 20, 28 and 32, Dedrick discloses at least some advertising in at least one stream of packets (col. 2, lines 12-14).

As per claims 3, 9, 18, 29 and 33, Dedrick discloses varying the content of the advertising information with the identity of

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the user to whom the advertising information is provided (col. 3, line 65 to col. 4, line 3).

As per claims 4 and 7, Dedrick discloses the information being inserted the stream before the stream is converted into a stream of packets (col. 2, lines 12-14).

As per claims 5 and 30, Dedrick discloses generating an audio output and/or a visual display from the stream of packets (col. 3, lines 33-37).

As per claims 6, 19 and 31, Dedrick discloses storing a first stream at a first time and inserting the first stream in a second stream received by the user (col. 3, line 67 to col. 4, line 3).

As per claims 10, 11, 21 and 22, Dedrick discloses the records indicate how many users received specific advertising information (col. 4, lines 45-47), this information being music selections (col. 2, 18-20).

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 103

3. The following is a quotation of 35 U.S.C. 103(a) which forms the basis for all obviousness rejections set forth in this Office action:

(a) A patent may not be obtained though the invention is not identically disclosed or described as set forth in section 102 of this title, if the differences between the subject matter sought to be patented and the prior art are such that the subject matter as a whole would have been obvious at the time the invention was made to a person having ordinary skill in the art to which said subject matter pertains. Patentability shall not be negatived by the manner in which the invention was made.

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4. Claims 13, 14, 24, 25, 34, 35 and 36 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Dedrick.

As per claims 13, 14, 24, 25, 34, 35 and 36, Dedrick does not disclose the limitations of these claims. It is known to compress information at the source and decompress it at the destination, selecting the compression algorithm in accordance with the content of the information. It would have been obvious to a person having an ordinary level of skill in the art at the time the invention was made to have modified the system disclosed by Dedrick to include these features since they allow for efficient transmission of data at a faster rate using less memory storage space and selection of the compression algorithm ensures a reliable reception with little loss of quality and minimum degradation.

Allowable Subject Matter

5. Claims 12, 15, 23, and 37 objected to as being dependent upon a rejected base claim, but would be allowable if rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims.

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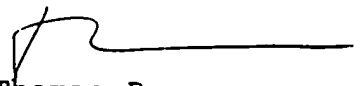
6. The prior art made of record and not relied upon is considered pertinent to applicant's disclosure.

U.S. Patent No. 5,493,514 to Keith et al. discloses Process, Apparatus and System for Encoding and Decoding Video Signals.

7. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Mr. Thomas Peeso whose telephone number is (703) 305-9784. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday -Thursday from 7am to 5pm. The examiner can also be reached on alternate Fridays.

8. If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Mr. Emanuel Voeltz, can be reached on (703) 305-9714. The fax phone number for this Group is (703) 305-95[64,65].

9. Any inquiry of a general nature or relating to the status of this application should be directed to the Group receptionist whose telephone number is (703) 305-3800.


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